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GB 2 298 818  
GB 2 320 911  
JP 02-117826 (abstract only)  
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All documents submitted herewith are in the English language. Full copies of the Japanese patent publications have not been obtained and only the abstracts are submitted herewith for consideration.

The references identified above and on the attached Form 1449 were recently discovered by the Applicants' attorneys. No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing this certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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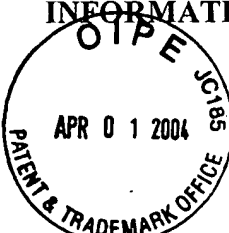
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AE	Japanese Patent Abstract, No. 02-117826
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